

BELLOWS FALLS.

A SEVERE STORM.

The rainstorm Wednesday afternoon was probably the severest of the season. It came on so suddenly that many who were on the streets, were unable to reach shelter, and were treated to a drenching. On School street the wires were pulled down and broken in two places by the falling of heavy limbs of trees. Those wires were part of the alternating circuit of the Bellows Falls Electric Light Company's plant, and by their destruction the current was shut off from all the stores and dwellings, and on the regular day, or continuous circuit, as it is technically called. The efficiency of the electricians was well shown in this emergency. They immediately went to work, the electricity being shut off at the power station, and, notwithstanding the pouring rain, subscribers were again provided with illumination in less than twenty minutes. Considerable minor damage was found later, in various parts of the village, but not sufficient to deprive anyone of light.

Tried to Kill Himself by Cutting Artery.

William Sheehan, an old resident of North Walpole, attempted to commit suicide Tuesday afternoon by cutting one of the arteries of his right arm with a razor. He would undoubtedly have bled to death had he not been discovered by persons who immediately summoned Dr. Albee. On arriving, he stopped the flow of blood and sewed the wound up. It is stated that Mr. Sheehan had made a previous attempt on his life Monday by taking Paris green, but was prevented by members of the family. The death of his wife, three weeks ago, was thought to have been the cause of temporary insanity. He was taken to the hospital in Keene yesterday and will there be examined as to his sanity.

About 25 from here attended the wedding in Chester last evening of George A. Andrews of this place and Miss Belle Archer of Chester.

B. Mapple suffered a severe knee-wrench in the wood-room of the International Paper company the first of the week. He was handling some heavy spruce, when a stick fell upon his knee. He was attended by Dr. Hadden, who says he will likely be laid up again in the course of a week or ten days.

BAXTONS RIVER.

Miss Helen Pettengill recently spent several days at Wallingford with Miss Wheeler. Some of the farmers are disposing of their wool. The price 18 cents per pound. A daughter, Maude H. of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Marcotte, born Aug. 2, died Aug. 16.

Rev. H. Goodhue preached last Sunday at the Baptist church in exchange with the pastor.

Some 14 of the young people of the village were out for a corn roast Saturday evening.

Rev. Mr. Clark of Wallingford, a classmate of Rev. Mr. Broughton, is a guest at the Baptist parsonage.

Mrs. S. A. Goodell and Miss Abbie Goodell, who have lived in this village for nearly three years, remove this week to Newport, Vt. Their large circle of friends regret sincerely their removal from our village.

The stone crusher is again running. Mr. Osmond is making "permanent road" from the small bridge near Henry Howard's westward. Work is also progressing upon the walls and roadway at the east side of the new bridge. In a few days the new bridge and its roadway will stand complete, all in all a very admirable improvement.

The Republican caucus Saturday at Bellows Falls drew together a large number of voters from this village and from the north part of the town as well as from the Falls. On the first ballot Rev. J. A. Leach was made the Republican candidate for town representative. This honor comes to Rev. Mr. Leach unsought. It is, therefore, the more highly appreciated by Mr. Leach.

Mrs. Chaffee and daughter have gone home for a few weeks.

Rev. Mr. Piddock has returned to his official duties after a pleasant vacation.

Mrs. Pettengill and Miss Fanny Pettengill are at the seaside for a brief vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Phelps of Wallingford, Conn., spent a night last week at Mr. H. Cobb's.

Mrs. Tower is guest for a few days at Walpole Grove while Mr. Tower is away for his vacation.

Mr. Albert Perry of Beverly, Mass., is expected on Saturday for a visit by his sister, Mrs. Chapin.

We are sorry to learn that Mr. Coleman recently lost a valuable cow, one of the Vermont Academy herd.

The singers who attended the musical convention at Newport, S. H., report a profitable and happy time.

We understand that Harry Austin, returning Tuesday afternoon, narrowly escaped a large tree which fell across the way a moment after he had passed.

Prof. and Mrs. Marshall Dowling of Oberlin college, Ohio, pleasantly surprised the family at the Congregational church on Wednesday. Prof. Dowling cherishes fondly the memories of Vermont Academy and his life in our village as a student.

Tuesday afternoon a heavy thunder storm from the northwest fell upon the town with unusual force. Again about 1 o'clock at night there were peals of thunder and a down-pour of rain. Wednesday afternoon, after a day of great heat, this region was again visited with a thunder storm and a heavy shower.

WESTMINSTER.

Frank C. Cole is visiting his brother, William Cole.

Mrs. Clara Holsing is the guest of Miss S. E. Hills.

Geo. W. Dascumb is in Burlington for a few days this week.

Dana Miller went to Springfield Tuesday. He has a position there.

Will Hills of Chelmsford, Mass., is at his grandfather's, D. A. Hills's.

The tobacco crop is being harvested and is said to be the finest since 1892.

Mr. and Mrs. Pierce and son of Kansas City, Mo., are at Rev. P. F. Barnard's.

Rachel Follen, is spending a portion of her vacation in Boston and returned C. E. Alexander's barn on Tuesday started even the stoniest. Mrs. Archie Mellen, who was alone at her home and just entering the house when it came, was so unnerved that the basket of clothes she was carrying fell to the ground. The cry of fire in a few moments from the village added to her fright, and she hurried to the home of J. Flagg, reaching the door-step but was unable to go any further until carried in. A doctor was summoned, who pronounced it a shock to the nerves, which rest and quiet would restore. Mrs. Mellen was able to ride home Wednesday night and is improving.

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Miss Grace Chase and Susie Kellogg went last Friday on the excursion to Narragansett Pier.

It is reported that B. F. Atcherson has sold his carriage shop to Mr. Wellman of Westminster West.

The board of civil authority will meet

AT THE TOWN HALL SATURDAY, AT 2 P. M., TO REVISE THE CHECK LIST.

The Misses Dascumb gave an enjoyable lawn party to about 30 of their friends last Saturday afternoon.

John Sawyer and his sister, Mrs. Arthur Hays of Princeton, Ill., were at Fred Hayward's Tuesday.

Harry Miller is expected home very soon. We shall then probably hear some interesting war reminiscences.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Arnold, Mr. and Mrs. George Walker, Dr. and Mrs. Betty spent Sunday at Spofford lake.

For town representative at the caucus which was held Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Metcalf of Worcester, Mass., are visiting Mr. Metcalf's parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Metcalf.

Rev. F. B. Hyde returned Wednesday from the seashore. His many friends will be glad to learn of his improved health.

Mrs. Grace Briggs of Springfield, Mass., and her daughter, Mrs. Joseph Swallow, and daughter, Mrs. Rowland, are visiting Mrs. Briggs's brother, Dighton H. Fairbrother.

Some of the young people who have been camping at Spofford lake had quite an exciting experience the first of the week. We are glad the sudden ducking produced no serious results.

Schools will begin the first Monday in September, with the exception of the one at Gageville, which, owing to the unfinished new school building, will begin later. Miss Alice Banks will be the teacher.

GRAFTON.

Miss Abbie J. Davis of Walpole, N.H., was in town for a few days last week.

Mr. P. Park is spending sometime with cousins here.

Mrs. A. R. Culver is with friends in Deerfield, Mass.

J. D. Pettengill of Clarksville, Va., is spending a week here.

Chapin Howard of Meriden, Conn., is with his family at Mrs. L. M. Clarke's.

O. D. Fellows of Newton is with his family, Walter Bartholomew, at Phelps hotel.

Miss S. E. Daniels, after spending several months in Europe, returned to her home here on Friday last.

Mrs. Emerson, whose husband was the Congregational minister here many years ago, and his daughter, Miss Alice, attended church here Sunday, Aug. 14.

Judge Walker and wife, Mrs. C. S. Frost, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Walker and Miss Frost visited at W. A. Early's last week Thursday, enjoying one of Mrs. Early's fine dinners and taking a general survey of the farm, which has a large variety of fruit and vegetables may be found.

S. D. Poole has joined family here d his at C. S. White's.

V. A. Wilbur and family have been visiting in Taunton, Mass.

G. N. French has been here this week sketching with Prof. Bartholomew.

Miss Marston returns to her school in Buckland, Mass., on Saturday this week.

Mrs. Winkley, Mr. McCollan and two daughters of Monmouth, Iowa, are visiting at Mrs. Daniels's.

Among recent arrivals at Phelps hotel we notice Mrs. Bartholomew, Miss Leavitt and Miss Murock.

C. H. Cambridge left on Wednesday last for Peacham to resume his position as principal of the Caledonia county grammar school.

Miss Wright of Quebec and Miss Backman of Bellows Falls spent a few days early in the week with their aunt, Mrs. F. C. Welch.

The Grafton boys played a game of ball with the Cambridgeport nine last Saturday. This week they play with the married men here and much fun is expected.

WILMINGTON.

Buildings Struck by Lightning.

Very heavy showers visited this section on Tuesday and Wednesday accompanied by terrific thunder and lightning. Several buildings were struck, but no extensive damage was done as reported at this time.

Edward Titus's house was struck, also a house belonging to E. F. Medbury and a barn belonging to Henry May & Son.

Last week Mrs. Jane Wilder in the south part of the town, lost two cows killed. All of these parties are insured and will receive full recompense as soon as the claims can be adjusted.

H. W. Stearns has returned to Brooklyn.

Mrs. Bagley of Worcester is visiting at H. L. Adams's.

Miss Ellen Putnam of Hartford is visiting friends in town.

Miss Alice J. Boyd and her friend, Miss Archer, are at the Paxton, Concordia.

C. M. Russell has been in Rowe, Mass., part of this week on insurance business.

Leslie W. Boyd is making extensive repairs upon his residence on East Main street.

H. J. Ballou of North Adams recently spent several days with his brothers, Dr. David and William M. Ballou.

Notices have been posted for the regular free-man's meeting on Sept. 6, at 10 o'clock a. m. At the Republican caucus Charles M. Ware was nominated as representative and at the Democratic caucus held last Monday evening L. W. Boyd was nominated.

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JAMAICA.

W. J. Sheldon's Barn Struck by Lightning and Burned.

Tuesday afternoon gave us a very heavy thunder storm of rain and wind, but it was light compared with what we got Wednesday, when trees were blown down and corn fields laid low. W. J. Sheldon's barn at Rawsonville was struck by lightning and burned to the ground with all its contents, being full of hay. The loss has not been learned.

Edwin Surprise of Springfield is here, stopping at Mrs. Stella Reed's.

George Waterman and brother-in-law, Mr. Snow, are passing the week with friends here.

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VERNON.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnson went to Wilmington on Thursday to Pomona grange meeting.

On Tuesday evening lightning struck one of the large oak trees in Mr. Wright's yard.

T. E. Stockwell has enlarged his silo and hay barn and is building another tobacco shed.

Mr. and Mrs. Wallace E. Stoddard visited ever Sunday at Mr. Stoddard's father's, F. W. Stoddard's.

Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Warner are away on a carriage drive, visiting at Manchester, Rutland, Brandon and other places.

F. E. Johnson, the cream gatherer, is having a week's vacation and Myron Russell is driving the cream wagon in his place.

Many farmers have no storage room in their barns for the large crops of rowen and corn stover which are yet to be harvested.

Farmers are very busy harvesting their large crops of tobacco, sweet corn for the canning factory, and cucumbers for the pickling factory.

Elder J. E. Cross will deliver an illustrated temperance lecture at the chapel next Tuesday evening at 7:45. A cordial invitation is extended to all.

John T. Wright lost one of his best horses very suddenly the first of the week. On going to the stable in the evening it was found to be sick and died in a few minutes after being led from the stable.

Miss Abbie Kerr has been visiting a few days at E. O. Lee's.

Mrs. Will Tyler and son of Boston are visiting at E. Tyler's.

Miss Maggie Palmer has gone to Canada for a visit of a few weeks.

Miss Clarissa Reed visited her brother at Springfield, Mass., this week.

Mrs. Agnes Gray and daughter have returned home to Brooklyn, N. Y.

Henry C. Marshall of Worcester has been in town several days on a visit.

Miss Margaret Shipman of Tufts college is visiting her aunt, Mrs. E. O. Lee.

Leavitt Cook was coming from his wagon and seriously injured about his head on Tuesday.

TOWNSHEND.

Willard Fisher was in town last week, Mrs. Florence Rice has been on the sick list.

Henry Miles is having a vacation and is at home.

Elwyn Person is moving his family from Boston to this place.

Everett Phillips is repairing and painting for E. L. Hastings.

Miss Frances Phillips of Keene, N. H., is visiting relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. Willie Sparks visited in Westmoreland, N. H., last week.

Miss Clara March of Londonderry visited Miss Myra Holm at last week.

Ed. Wetherbee and wife have returned to their home in Worcester, Mass.

Mrs. Earl, a former resident of this place, is visiting at Will Holm's.

Miss Holbrook of Athol, Mass., is visiting at her uncle's, Hugh Holbrook's.

Will Sanderson, and family of Gainesville, Florida, are visiting at Royal Sanderson's.

A large number from here attended the Christian Endeavor convention at Dummerston.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Mason of Philadelphia spent Sunday in town at Adelbert Mason's.

Mrs. Clarissa Ware and daughter Ellen have returned from their visit to Schuylerville, N. Y.

Miss E. Coddage, daughter of ex-Congressman Coddage of Fitchburg, Mass., is visiting at Charles Willard's, 2d.

Mr. Plummer, the evangelist, who held meetings here for several weeks last spring, preached to a full house Tuesday evening.

Mrs. Bruce and son of New York city and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Blood of Springfield have recently visited at A. A. Blood's.

John Howard and family and Mr. and Mrs. Palmer of Malden, Mass., have returned to their homes after spending some weeks in town.

Dr. Atwood and wife and Miss Charlotte Patterson, who have spent the summer at Mrs. H. Winslow's, left Monday morning for their home in Rock Island, Ill.

Mrs. Olive Holmes of Saratoga, who has been spending some time with her sister, Mrs. C. C. Taft, left Friday for New York city to visit her son and take in the naval fête.

Charlie Day, one of the soldier boys from Chickamauga, is at his home here for a few days. He is just recovering from typhoid fever, instead of malarial, as first reported.

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GUILFORD.

Mrs. Walter Bullock is ill with an attack of pleurisy.

John Bond of Burlington has been visiting his brother George of this place.

Mrs. S. A. Smith has been ill for the past week, threatened with fever. Mrs. Will Mellen is taking care of her.

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WILLIAMSVILLE.

Republican Caucus.

The unpleasant weather of Wednesday evening caused a light attendance at the Republican caucus held at Union hall, Newfane village. J. H. Merrifield was chosen chairman and Amos Grout secretary.

A candidate for town representative Samuel G. Brown presented the name of William H. Rand, and E. E. Davis presented the name of Walter C. Ballou. The latter lost.

Whole number of votes, 32. Necessary for choice, 17. William H. Rand, 17. Walter C. Ballou, 14. George H. Munroe, 1.

As candidates for justices of the peace the present incumbents of that office, Eugene P. Wheeler, Dennis A. Dickinson, John H. Merrifield, Benjamin C. Eager and Charles E. Skinner, three Republicans and two Democrats, were re-nominated without opposition.

Mr. Rand, the nominee for town representative, has been one of Newfane's progressive farmers for 23 years, possesses the good will of every person in town, and is undoubtedly well qualified for the Republican vote.

Miss Grace Timson is quite ill. The young child of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Fletcher has been dangerously ill the past week.

Mrs. James Robinson and daughter, Miss Lizzie Robinson Peoria, Ill., are visiting at Mrs. J. A. Young's.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed. R. Willard left Monday for an extended visit with their daughter, Mrs. P. J. Elliot, of Williamstown, this state.

The game of base ball between the West Brattleboro and our home team last Saturday afternoon resulted in favor of the latter by a score of 18 to 9.

Teaching by the pastors at each of our churches next Sunday morning. At the Universalist church Sunday evening the Young People's Christian union will consider "Helpful thoughts from the Epistles." The evening service at the Methodist church will be under the auspices of the Epworth League.

Albert N. Sherman recently lost a valuable dog which he is seeking to replace. Any person having for sale a dog of good fox-hunting qualities, or in fact any kind of a dog, might do well to enter into correspondence with Mr. Sherman, as he is always willing to pay a good price for an animal that just suits his requirements.

A Democratic caucus was held in this village Wednesday evening. Dr. P. P. White was chosen chairman and Albert N. Sherman secretary. Fred R. Rice was made the nominee of the party for town representative. The caucus was held at the Universalist church. The Republican justice ticket named in this column, which contains the names of two Democrats, was ratified.

As E. R. Willard was returning from Brattleboro last Saturday evening with a heavily loaded two-horse team, his horses, which were driven to town, were in the newly repaired road, and running back dumped a load of general merchandise down the steep bank. Fortunately Mr. Willard and his horses escaped injury.

Fred C. Elmer, a Newfane boy, now a successful business man of Cleveland, Ohio, made a five-day tour to this village to accompany his family, who have been spending the summer with Miss Elmer's parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. B. Perry, back to their Cleveland home. Mr. Elmer is a member of the Cleveland board of education and has just been making a tour of inspection of the school buildings of several New England cities as a member of a committee having charge of the erection of several new school buildings in Cleveland.

We learn by The Phoenix that W. A. Mason (son) purchased for \$5000 cash the Sherman house in Brattleboro. It seems but a few years ago that Mr. Mason left Newfane, his native town, while quite a young man, to seek his fortune. These summer months are bringing back to him the recollections of his boyhood in Newfane, and he has just been making a tour of inspection of the school buildings of several New England cities as a member of a committee having charge of the erection of several new school buildings in Cleveland.

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